

**SENATE EMPLOYMENT, WORKPLACE RELATIONS AND EDUCATION
LEGISLATION COMMITTEE**

**2006-2007 BUDGET SENATE ESTIMATES HEARING
29TH AND 30TH MAY 2006
EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS PORTFOLIO**

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

**OFFICE OF THE AUSTRALIAN BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION
COMMISSIONER**

Outcome: Workplace relations laws are enforced in building and construction industry workplaces

Question Number: W221-07

Question:

Senator Siewert asked in writing:

Is the ABCC able to call on the services or support of other investigative agencies (such as the federal Police) to assist in its inquiries?

Answer:

The ABCC cannot rely on police powers in support of its investigations.

It only has power to refer matters to other agencies to be investigated independently of the ABCC.